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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

[1] (currently amended) A phosphorus-containing silazane composition comprising a polyalkylsilazane and at least one phosphorus compound in an organic solvent wherein said phosphorus compound is selected from a compound of formula (RO)₃P=O where each R, which may be the same or different, represents a trisubstituted silvl group in which the substituents have 1 to 4 carbon atoms or a compound of formula $-R^1_2P=N$ — where each R^1 , which may be the same or different, represents an alkoxy group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms.

- [2] (canceled)
- [3] (original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said phosphorus compound is tris(trimethylsilyl)phosphate.

Claims [4] to [7] (canceled)

[8] (currently amended) A phosphorus-containing siliceous film comprising 0.5 to 10 atomic% of phosphorus and being produced by baking a film of a composition according to claim 1.

Claims [9] to [11] (canceled)

[12] (original) A semiconductor device comprising a phosphorus-containing siliceous film according to claim 8 as an interlayer insulation film.